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BALIRAM

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of `EPBT with Clip FacilityTelephone` purchased so far and the number of clip (Caller ID) phones allocated to the consumers till October 31, 2002;

(b) whether the Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited has not provided M.Ps withthe said telephone sets despite having given such orders in writing; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and by when M.Ps and other subscribers would be provided with the said telephone sets?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRIMATI S MAHAJAN)

(a) Delhi unit of MTNL has placed purchase order for 10,000 CLIP phones, out of which 5000 have been received. Till 31.10.2002, 882 number of CLIP instruments have been issued to the consumers.

In MTNL, Mumbai, one purchase order was placed in December, 2000 for 4800 CLIP instruments out of which 3500 instruments have been utilized, mainly for service connections and internal testing requirements etc. Information for rest of country under BSNL is being collected.

(b) Delhi unit of MTNL has provided CLIP instruments to Hon`ble MPs whosoever asked for the same. There was, however, some delay in only two cases.

(c) In the above two cases pertaining to Hon`ble MPs, the premises were found closed and the instrument could be provided only on 21.11.2002. CLIP instruments are being provided to all the subscribers who are asking for it.